

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

A paragraph was added to the specification to include a reference to prior application Ser. 09/653/553, filed on August 31, 2000, as required by 37 CFR 1.78(a)(2). No new matter was added.

Claims 18-45 have been canceled. The pending application now contains claims 1-17.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

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Respectfully submitted,

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